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Chief Administrative Officer

June 12, 2006

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To: Mayor Michael D. Antonovich
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From: David E. Janssen
Chief Administrative Officer

**EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT WITH FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY ASSOCIATES (FTA)
FOR COURT-ORDERED FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY SERVICES**

Under the Lockyer-Isenberg Trial Court Funding Act of 1997, Assembly Bill 233 (AB 233), the County maintains funding responsibility for indigent defense programs. Indigent defendants are entitled to have defense counsel appointed to represent them in criminal cases and the services of an expert necessary to the preparation of their cases. On May 10, 2003, your Board approved an agreement with FTA to provide court-ordered forensic toxicology services in the County.

The initial term of the agreement was for a 12-month period, commencing on July 12, 2003 and expiring on June 11, 2004. The agreement includes the provision of four 12-month renewal options that may be exercised by my office. On June 7, 2005, my office exercised the second 12-month renewal to extend the term of the agreement through June 11, 2006.

The Public Defender (PD) and the Alternate Public Defender (APD) along with the defendants they represent are the recipients of this service. We consulted with staff of the PD and APD on the quality of the service and the appropriateness of renewing the agreement. We were advised by both departments that they are satisfied with the performance of FTA and do not have any outstanding issue with the vendor that requires corrective action.

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Based on the positive performance record of FTA during the last 12-month period of the agreement, my office is exercising the third 12-month renewal to extend the contract through June 11, 2007. This extension will allow the County to fulfill its obligation under AB 233 to provide indigent defendants with expert services necessary to prepare for their cases. Funding for this contract is included in the FY 2006-07 Proposed Budget.

If you have any questions, please let me know or your staff may contact David Dijkstra of my office at (213) 974-1163.

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c: Enrique Sandoval, Los Angeles Superior Court ✓
Gordon Trask, County Counsel
Leslie McMillan, Public Defender Department
Jordan Yerian, Alternate Public Defender Department

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**AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND
FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY ASSOCIATES FOR
COURT-ORDERED FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY SERVICES**

AMENDMENT NO. 3

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Agreement #74599

This Amendment Number Three is entered into by and between the County of Los Angeles (hereafter "COUNTY") and Forensic Toxicology Associates (hereafter "Contractor") and amends COUNTY Agreement 74599 dated June 12, 2003 (hereafter "Agreement").

Pursuant to the Agreement, the Chief Administrative Officer of the County is authorized to extend the term of the agreement, as provided for in Paragraph 1.0 on page 28.


NOW THEREFORE, the Chief Administrative Officer of the County hereby revise the term of the Agreement:

From: "For a period of twelve (12) months, commencing on June 12, 2005."

To: "For a period of twelve (12) months, commencing on June 12, 2006."

All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

FORENSIC TOXICOLOGY ASSOCIATES

By: 

Name: THOMAS KOSCO

Title: CEO

Date: JUNE 12, 2006

THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE

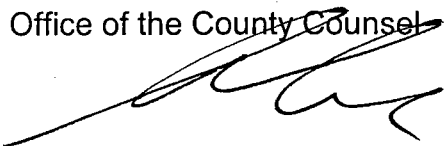
By: 

David E. Janssen
Chief Administrative Officer

Date: JUNE 12, 2006

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Office of the County Counsel



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